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The transaction defining unit has, for example, an incomplete transaction management table, a type code table, an incomplete transaction line item information table, and a payment information management table. The incomplete transaction management table stores basic management information such as store number, incomplete transaction slip number, type code, transaction serial number upon occurrence, date and time of occurrence, customer number, requested amount, amount of down payment, balance, scheduled delivery date, delivery completion flag, sum-up possible/impossible flag, totalization completion flag, and the like. The type code table is designated by the type code in the incomplete transaction management table and stores category combination information such as sales sum-up timing, prepayment necessary/unnecessary flag, predelivery possible/impossible flag, method of tender, delivering method, and the like. The incomplete transaction detail information table is designated by the incomplete transaction slip number in the incomplete transaction management table and stores goods management information such as goods code, unit price, quantity, discount information, and the like. Further, the payment information management table is designated by the incomplete transaction slip number in the incomplete transaction management table and stores

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Figs. 10A to 10E are explanatory diagrams of operation picture planes for the process upon delivery in the incomplete transaction type A in Fig. 9. When the declaration of the incomplete transaction on the sales registration picture plane in Fig. 10A is selected by the check box 86, since the screen is switched to the incomplete transaction menu picture plane 88 of Fig. 10B, the transaction upon delivery is designated by selecting the check box 92. Thus, the screen is switched to a slip number input picture plane 108 of Fig. 10C. Therefore, by inputting the slip No. "0000001" recorded on the received customer copy slip, the screen is switched to an incomplete transaction confirmation picture plane 112 of Fig. 10D. Status display boxes 116 and 118 with respect to a sales date, a sales amount, a balance, a delivery date, completion of payment, and "delivered" are provided for the incomplete transaction confirmation picture plane 112 in correspondence to the slip number, respectively. When the registration key is operated, therefore, the status display box 118 of "delivered" is set to "delivered" and a series of incomplete transaction is finished. In the case where the screen is switched to an incomplete transaction confirmation picture plane 112 of Fig. 10E when the slip number is inputted in Fig. 10C, since the status display box 118 has already been set to "the goods has already been delivered", a

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registered in step S4. In this deferred payment transaction, since it is valid, even if the amount of payment is equal to zero, the zero amount of payment is registered. A customer copy with the incomplete transaction slip number is issued in step S5. Since the deferred payment transaction is based on the principle of completion, the sum-up of the sales is not performed at this time point of the process upon payment.

10 Fig. 15 shows a process upon payment in the incomplete transaction type D which is executed in the case where there is a balance in the process upon payment in Fig. 13. With respect to the process upon payment of the deferred payment transaction, the check box 86 of the incomplete transaction on the sales registration picture plane 82 is selected as shown in Fig. 16A and the incomplete transaction is declared and the check box 92 of the transaction upon delivery is selected on the incomplete transaction menu picture plane 88 of Fig. 16B, so that the screen is switched to the slip number input picture plane 115 of Fig. 16C. Therefore, in the paying process of the deferred payment transaction (on the principle of completion) in Fig. 15, first, when the incomplete transaction slip number recorded on the customer copy is inputted in step S1, an incomplete transaction confirmation picture plane 116-2 of Fig. 16D is displayed in step S2.

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